

PERSONAL

If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

S. R. Brooks and wife of Lexington are in the city.

Joseph Davis has been visiting at Hiatt, O., this week.

Daniel Morgan spent several days in Louisville this week.

Charles Ball has returned from a business trip in the West.

United States Marshal Burchett will spend the holidays at his home in Louis.

Miss Blanche Wilson of Aberdeen is home from Columbus to remain for the holidays.

Miss Florence G. Wilson went to Springfield last evening to visit her sister, Miss Elizabeth Wilson.

Hall Strode, a student at the State College, Lexington, will spend the holidays with his parents in this city.



THE CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Take back the slippers which you send; My heart for them doth yearn, But I can't buy a house and lot To send you in return. So send them to some other "friend," With Christmas greeting sweet; He may be better off than I, And they may fit his feet.

If I had wealth, like I had once, I'll tell you what I'd do— I'd take the slippers, and I'd send A fine gold watch to you. And every time you looked at it You'd think the swap immense— The watch cost me two hundred "slugs," The slippers ninety cents.

Yes, dear, the Christmas time has come, To give your friends a gift; But now I am too poor to give, I couldn't make a "lift." I couldn't buy a nigger doll, Or get a candy frog; I haven't got enough to buy A muzzle for a dog.

—Louisville Times.

HARRY FETTERS, the fellow who was charged with throwing a boulder through a C. and O. car window recently near Concord, has been discharged from custody, the evidence against him being too flimsy to hold.

WILLIAM JONES, who died at Hardwick's creek the 11th inst. was about 60 years of age and weighed 60 pounds. His wife is 52 years of age and weighs about 350 pounds, or nearly six times as much as her husband. He erected a residence, and after supposing it finished, had to enlarge the doors before she could enter.

CHICAGO policemen are said to have frightened little eight-year-old Eddie Parker to death. The lad was arrested for having in his possession a stolen shirt, and when brought to the station-house he was, it is claimed, threatened with the gallows and other terrors by the officers until he lost control of himself. The policemen were unable to quiet him and sent for his mother, who took him home. He became delirious and had paroxysms after paroxysms until he finally died.

SILVER may be cheap—say 83 cents an ounce—but its production is much cheaper. In the three most prominent mines at Creede silver has been produced at 25 cents an ounce, and the profits from these mines last year were \$1,000,000 on a \$300,000 investment. Two Creede mines can produce 8,000,000 ounces per annum. A mine at Aspen has been turning out 2,500,000 ounces per annum at a cost, it is said, of less than 14 cents per ounce.

As a result of litigation brought on by Freiberg & Workum, Cincinnati distillers, 950 barrels of whisky were sold at auction in front of the Courthouse at Louisville. The case is an interesting one, and has been in the Louisville Chancery Court since March 15th. On the day before that date Mr. Bohm, of the whisky firm of Bohm & Co., Denver, Col., committed suicide. They were heavily in debt to Freiberg & Workum, who at once attached 1,915 barrels of whisky belonging to the Denver firm, but in the hands of Moore & Sellinger of Louisville. Recently 950 barrels of whisky were ordered sold and they brought an average of 36 5/9 cents per gallon. About 850 barrels of this were in bond and sold by the gallon. There are left 675 barrels to be disposed of, but it will not be sold at present. Freiberg & Workum want to recover \$17,000.

Against Sunday Closing.

The people of Chicago who resist the efforts of the keepers of saloons and of questionable resorts to have the World's Fair closed on Sundays, so as to enable them to reap a harvest out of the thousands of strangers and idlers who will throng the city during the Exposition, have acted wisely in invoking the powers of the courts to compel Sunday opening. They have applied for the injunction to restrain the Directors of the Fair from closing its gates on Sunday. Their ground is that Jackson Park is public property, from which the people cannot be legally excluded on any day in the year.

BACK TO LIFE.

A Remarkable Surgical Operation in New York.

The Heart of Little Jimmy McCaughy Ceased to Beat.

His Eyes Became Glassy and the Extremities Cold—He is Saved By the Surgeon's Skill—A New Form in Removing the Vermiform Appendix.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The medical profession is much stirred, so far as it is yet familiar with the facts in the case, by the details of a remarkable surgical operation performed by Dr. Albert Shunk, of this city.

The fact accomplished is no less than the bringing back to life of a person practically dead, as the term is usually understood. Among the many wonderful cases recorded in recent years, probably not one has been marked by features as unique as that of which Jimmy McCaughy, aged 12, is to-day the living example.

The physician was called to the case late in the night, and found the patient had very marked symptoms of "appendicitis," or, as it is vulgarly called, inflammation of the blind gut. Though the seat of trouble was not apparent, the diagnosis made plain the fact that the sufferer was doomed, as far as could be determined by precedents in similar cases. On the advice of the physician the members were advised of the gravity of the case, and when next morning a very sizeable lump was observable over the seat of the inflammation, the diagnosis was fully justified, and the trouble was exactly stated to be an abscess around the vermiform appendix.

An operation was at once recommended but was delayed until the arrival of relatives who had been summoned in anticipation of the near approach of death. The next afternoon the surgeon was finally called and directed to proceed. When he arrived it was discovered that the abscess had broken, thus covering the intestines with the liberated matter. In this crisis it was clear to the scientific mind that the boy was dying. The doctor told the family that dissolution would take place within an hour, and that though it was possible that an operation might result successfully, the chances were many times against it.

Permission to proceed was given, it being understood that in any event of failure to secure relief the end would not be hastened more than fifteen minutes. The patient was quickly placed on a table, and while under the influence of a slight anesthetic an opening about eight inches long was made in the walls of the abdomen. From the incision there was at once a plentiful flow of pus. No sooner had this taken place than the pulse ceased to beat, the heart stopped, the jaw dropped and every evidence of the most complete collapse betokened the presence of death. The glassy eyes upturned, the coldness of the extremities and the death perspiration with which the body was covered, left no doubt in the minds of those present that the experiment had resulted fatally.

At this point the surgeon's skill was displayed. With one hand he tore open the wound, while with the other he emptied the contents of a pitcher of hot water into the abdominal cavity. For a brief interval the fluttering renewal of action was apparent only to the practiced medical eye, but soon the pulsations grew stronger, and ere long the patient gave unmistakable signs of returning consciousness.

Then the eyes were opened in a dazed sort of way, as if the subject was awakening from a deep sleep. The action of the hot water having neutralized the effect of the ether that had been given, the patient was assisted to retain the ground gained by the administration of hypodermic injections. With a new lease of life, there was a chance for the surgeon to look for the seat of the abscess.

The foreign substance was found and removed by a most delicate operation, and Thursday the patient is convalescent. Operations for the removal of the "vermiform appendix" are by no means uncommon, but the surgeon's knife is rarely sanctioned by experienced practitioners in the cases with physical conditions as extreme as those in the one here cited. Some idea of the interest manifested in the case may be gained from the statement that for several days efforts have been made to obtain the details without success. From the points here given it is claimed that medical men now believe it to have been determined that no case of appendicitis need be necessarily regarded as fatal.

An Indiana Prodigy.

VALPARAISO, Ind., Dec. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schrader, of Hammond, are the parents of a large family of children, and one of the boys has proved to be a prodigy. The little fellow is but three years old, yet he is a master of the German language as well as the mother tongue. He can play on musical instruments with all the expression of the most accomplished musicians. The lad's versatile talents have enlisted the interest of the townspeople, and he will be given every advantage possible for the development of his remarkable genius.

A Failure at Wheeling.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 23.—The Wheeling Mining and Manufacturing Co., coal operators, brick manufacturers, contractors and builders, made an assignment Thursday to J. D. Elson. There are no preferences. The liabilities are about \$50,000, and the assets, including valuable contracts on hand, will cover these.

Duke Goes to New Orleans.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 23.—Martin Duke, one of Capt. Anson's pitchers of last season, has signed a seven months' contract with the New Orleans team. He played with the Chicago team until laid off with a broken ankle.

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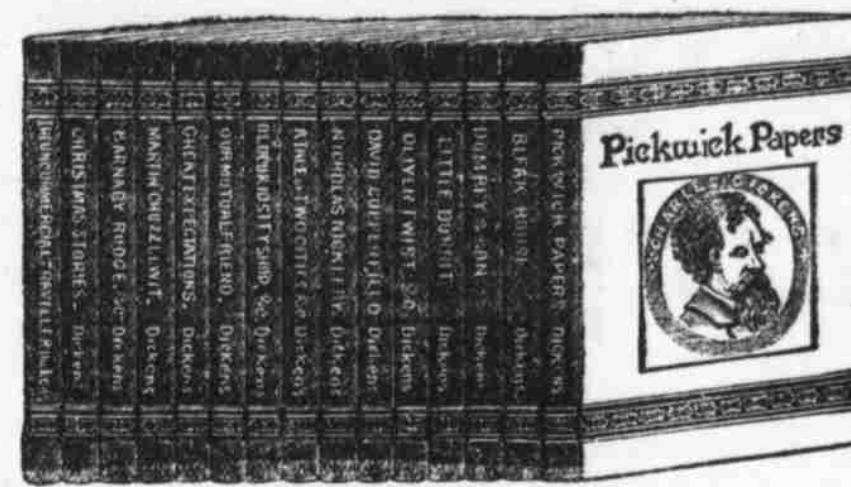
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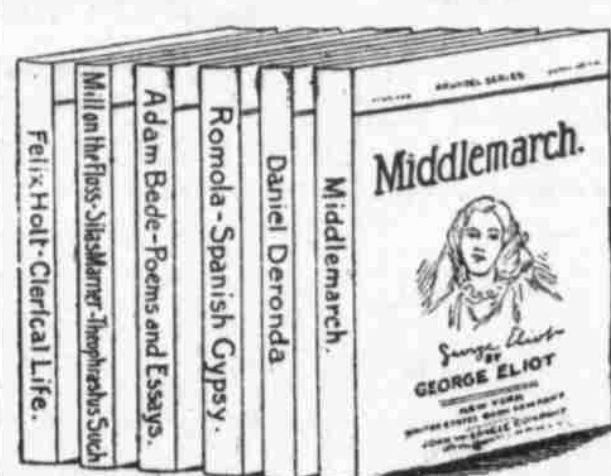
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THE LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS

HE lights of Christmas burn nowhere on earth with so genial a flame as in the illumination of one's own fireside; but there is a fine compensation for absence from home on this brightest and best of anniversaries in finding oneself in the streets of London on the eve of Christmas, a spectator and a part of the great Christmas tide of expectant, happy, smiling humanity flowing in counter currents through Bond street, Holborn, the Strand, and eddying and whirling around Charing Cross; and when, with heart warmed with the glow reflected from thousands of sparkling faces, to see this city of a million homes and a thousand churches blaze forth with Christmas lights from basement to roof, from chancel to belfry, the mystic spell of the anniversary becomes wondrous, overwhelming, complete.

But when Christmas dawns, one should leave the bewildering maze of this vast city for some old English village where the beauty and traditions of the day possess a cameo-like unity and relief; and the farther this shrine is removed from the rush and roar of the nineteenth century the sweeter will be the flavor of the anniversary and the more redolent of its old-time incense.

The village green, buttressed by the ivied church and manse at one end, and the old hostelry and smithy forge at the other, the noble hall half visible in its park, and ancient farmhouses neighboring near, make up a *mise en scene* for a charming Christmas that cannot be surpassed. Watching the assembling worshippers flocking park and green, you follow on, pause in God's Acre for a look at the old yew trees and the billowy sod where the rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep, and enter the rough stone temple to whose plain interior tender and sympathetic hands have lent a grace and freshness with clusters and festoons of holly and mistletoe, and where Christmas has been sacredly celebrated for centuries save when Cromwell's soldiers put down the "papistical" worship or during the pitiable War of the Roses. Your mind dwells mainly in the misty past during the service, for Celts, Britons, Saxons, Danes and Normans have knelt before you on this spot, many of them under this same roof, and do not the symbols gathered from the remnants of old Druidical groves blend the *credo* of the Christian with the worship of Bell?

As the day declines and you have your choice between the hospitality of Norman hall and the festivities at some old farmhouse where the Saxon dwells, hie thee to the latter, for Christmas is but a play under the patronizing smiles of rank and fashion, while in the solitubed home of the descendant of Celt or Saxon you shall see the greatest of Christian anniversaries celebrating at the same hearth with the first of pagan festivals (as you saw them commemorated at the same morning altar) and each claiming the day in honor of its nativity. In the midst of the fete where hospitality reigns with gladness the carols are heard without and the door swings wide open for the singers. In they troop, and as they chant of a Saviour born this day in the cave of Bethlehem, and of peace on earth, good will to man, the blaring yule log of the sun worshippers illumines the room with tidings of scarce less import, telling that on this day the source of all light and life has emerged from the grave of the winter solstice to break the icy bands of death and restore to man the fruiting spring, the ripening summer and golden autumn. I have chosen England for the *locus* of my Christmas scenes, for there one is brought into closer sympathy with the spirit and traditions of this great dual anniversary than in our modern America.

Centuries before the shepherds watched their flocks on the Syrian hills in the dawn of the Christian era the Egyptian priests had traced the zodiac in the heavens and blazoned the 25th of December as the day of the deliverance of the sun from the darkness and bands of the winter solstice, and for centuries before the light of Christianity burst forth from the grotto of Bethlehem the fire altars of the Orient, the sun wheels of Germany and the yule logs of Britain celebrated this day as the resurrection of nature from death unto life. Does it detract from the beauty and splendor of the Christian holiday that all nature joins in its hosannas to that infinite and benign Providence which heedeth the sparrow's fall and the sun in its course with the same care and solicitude that proclaimed from the angelic skies of Bethlehem: "Peace on earth, good will to man?"

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Dora—And Mable's diamond earrings here.

Clara—And George's gold watch here.

Dora—And Edith's diamond bracelets—what shall we do with them?

Clara—Lay them on the piano alongside of papa's Christmas card.—N. Y. Weekly.

Only Too Willing.

Generous Six-Year-Old—Papa, there's a poor little cripple next door that hasn't any use of his arms. I'd like to give him for a Christmas present some of the things I got last year.

Papa (with tears of parental pride in his eyes)—So you shall, my boy—so you shall. Give him that nice little drum Aunt Mary sent you.—Chicago Tribune.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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THE PUBLIC LEDGER CO.

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ART. 1. Be it known that William H. Cox, Thomas A. Davis, W. H. Wadsworth, Jr., Samuel T. Hickman, A. M. J. Cochran, M. C. Russell, George L. Cox and Allen Edmonds have this day associated themselves together and become incorporated under and by virtue of Chapter 56 of the General Statutes of the State of Kentucky, under the name and Company and by that name shall sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to alter same at pleasure.

ART. 2. The capital stock of said Corporation shall be \$5,000, divided into shares of \$10 each. The shares shall be transferable by written assignment on the certificate, and when transferred the certificate for same shall be surrendered to the Company and canceled, and new ones issued in lieu thereof.

ART. 3. This Corporation is organized for the purpose of publishing a newspaper in the city of Maysville, and distributing the same throughout the state of Kentucky, and for the carrying on of a general newspaper business in said city and state.

ART. 4. The principal place of business of said Corporation shall be at Maysville, Ky. The capital stock of said Corporation may be increased at a meeting of the stockholders (those holding a majority of the stock) and may be paid for in money or property, or in agreed contract price, and any stock not subscribed for may be sold from time to time, as the Directors may direct and authorize, and the certificates of stock shall be signed by the President and Secretary, and the corporate seal shall be affixed to same.

ART. 5. The Corporation shall be managed by a Directory of five persons who shall be elected annually at the Company's office in Maysville, Ky., on the 1st Monday in March of each year. If, for any reason, there should not be an election held at the time fixed, the Directors in office shall continue as such until their successors are elected and qualified.

ART. 6. The Directors shall choose from their number a President and Vice-President, and from said number or the stockholders a Secretary and Treasurer, or, if they see fit, they may combine these two offices into one; they shall elect an Editor, and may elect an assistant to the Editor, both of whose duties and tenure of office they may fix and prescribe by-laws of the Company, which by-laws a majority of the Directors may adopt for the management of the Company's affairs.

ART. 7. The Company shall not be indebted exceeding, in the aggregate, at any one time, a sum equal to one-half of the capital stock paid in.

ART. 8. The private property of the stockholders of this Company shall be exempt from all debts or liabilities of the Corporation.

ART. 9. The Corporation shall begin when it shall have organized, as provided for herein, and shall continue as long as may be necessary, according to law.

In witness whereof, the said incorporators have hereunto set their hands this 14th day of March, 1892.

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STATE OF KENTUCKY, I, Set

1. T. M. Pearson, Clerk of the County Court for the county and state aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing Article of Incorporation of The Public Ledger Co. was, on March 10, 1892, produced to me in said county, and acknowledged by said Thomas A. Davis, William H. Cox, W. H. Wadsworth, Jr., S. T. Hickman, M. C. Russell, George L. Cox and Allen Edmonds each to be their act and deed, and on March 14, 1892, the same was again reproduced to me and acknowledged by A. M. J. Cochran to be his act and deed, and today, for record, whereupon the same, together with this certificate, hath been duly recorded in my office.

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AN ORDINANCE

Ordering an Election to be Held on Monday, January 23, 1893.

Be it ordained by the Board of Councilmen of the City of Maysville, Ky., That an election be held on Monday, January 23, 1893, for the election of a Mayor, City Clerk, Collector and Treasurer, Marshal, Assessor, Wood and Coal Inspector, Wharfmaster and six Councilmen, one from each ward.

Be it further ordained, That polls be open in said city for said election at 5 o'clock a. m. and close at 6 o'clock p. m. at the following places on said day, giving the Inspectors one hour for dinner; and the following persons are appointed Inspectors for said election:

First Ward—Jacob Outten's shop; John McCarthy, Joseph Lowry and John W. Thompson.

Second Ward—J. S. Redmond's cigar store; C. L. Salice, James Deinty and W. N. Howe.

Third Ward—J. H. Hargrave's shop; F. J. Murphy, D. C. Francis and John Seely.

Fourth Ward—S. R. Powell's shop; W. A. Cole, C. H. Nicholson and Samuel Crumbrum.

Fifth Ward—Conrad's store; John G. Farn, George W. Cook and Thomas W. Brecken.

Sixth Ward—Reuben Hunt's residence; G. M. Clinger, Fred Lawrence and L. J. Harding.

Said officers of elections are directed to see that election and make due return thereon, according to law.

WILLIAM H. COX, President.

MARTIN A. O'HARA, City Clerk.